

that have really superior merits but have gone out of fashion and been forgotten in the world's eagerness for the novel. Some raisers are too lavish in their introductions, but a visit to the grounds where the roses are growing, or even a careful study of the catalogue descriptions, noting especially the omissions, should give a sufficient guide to purchasers.

What a discussion there has been over the worth of Mildred Grant! That the flowers are exquisite, with their high centres, admirable shape, and faintly flushed white tint, nobody can deny. Alas, that the stems are so unsatisfactory, from the flower arrangers' point of view! More than one rose grower, I believe, offers it as "considered to be the finest rose ever raised," while others leave out the three first words of the sentence. Personally, I regard it as one of the roses that will go down to posterity, in spite of its demerits, just as we have ignored the faults of Niphetos and even Marechal Niel. A lovely satisfactory new hybrid tea, of an ivory-white, flushed with salmon, large blooming, firm petaled, perfectly formed, is Alice Grahame. I strongly advise rose connoisseurs to obtain this, and note its value. Surely this is a variety that ought never to sink into oblivion!

Among the indispensable older pale roses Madame Hoste should have a high place. What a joy it is to see it responding to vigorous feeding and general good culture—the branches growing stouter, the leaves larger and darker, even before the great yellowish-white flowers come to prove how delicate they can look, although they are full and firm. The robust growth is a subject for deep gratitude.

La France will never be given up, I imagine; it remains a distinctive rose, in spite of the prodigious output of roses since it first delighted the horticultural world. Glorie de Dijon has been improved upon, I admit, but let us hope it will never be forgotten, since there is a rich color in its usually irregularly shaped center that others do not offer.

Are any of our new ramblers really better than the old climber, Cloth of Gold? This is indeed a relic from the past that the future should perpetuate. There is certainly something unique about the almost too vigorous Crimson Rambler, but many of the others are, I think, over-rated. Aglaia, by the by, is such a joy upon a north wall that no garden house with such a space vacant should be without it. Plant it on a hot wall and no pleasure will be gained from it, for the flowers will fade out ere they are open, and none of the pure clear yellow will remain.

Fortune's Yellow is still catalogued as "extra fine." Our great-grandfathers knew it as Beauty of Glazen-

wood. The striped York and Lancaster roses should be in all rosaries; so, too, I think, should be the Maiden's Blush. Yes, the faults of these are too obvious, but to grow them is not to ignore modern achievements, nor to contradict our objects of searching for the very best, because they have unique merits, that "better" roses have not repeated.

Wehn is the perfect, brilliant scarlet, full, firm tea rose coming to us, I wonder? It must have strong stems, large, dark red-tinted foliage, and not hang its head too humbly! Where again is the huge hybrid perpetual of the extra shade of Marechal Niel? I should also like a brilliant pink, fully-doubled rambler that would bloom all the summer and autumn. There are triumphs yet left for attainment by our clever rose raisers.

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"Black baby" is another one of the children's favorites, of which they never tire. Some one stands in the centre of the circle, with a ball at his feet. When all are ready he calls the name of some child, who runs out and grabs the ball, while the rest of the children scamper in every direction. The child holding the ball calls "one, two, three, stop!" and all stand perfectly still. The child then throws the ball, trying to hit some one; in dodging they are allowed to move one foot, but not take both off the ground. A child who has been hit three times receives three black marks made with burnt cork, and this makes him a "black baby." The children are very fond of adorning their faces with mustaches and goatees during game. One of the mothers was greatly amused by the streaks of green chalk on her son's face.

Then, too, the parties. There is always a fascination about a child's party, which makes it of great interest to the grown-ups. This may be in part because of the natural gracefulness of the little ones and

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also on account of their thorough adaptability to the simple games, and their abandonment of social restraint in their absorption in the entertainment provided. To the casual looker-on at a party, be it indoors or out, it seems a very simple affair to get up. This is not true, however, for if one cannot afford an instructor, it takes days of careful thought and the greatest tact possible to make it a success, and to keep the little ones amused from coming to going. If one has to look after the party themselves, they must remember the first game must be a jolly one. This is so as to break the ice, take away all constraint, and put the children in touch with the spirit of a party. "Fox and geese" is

a very good one to commence with. The children form into a double circle, choosing by lot a fox and a goose. Great merriment is created by the fox trying to catch the goose, and thus become victor in the game. Should it be an out-of-door party, the children can be formed in line and at a given signal they run for a goal, the first one touching being awarded a prize. Naturally the children enter with great zest into a game of this kind, which means a fleet foot and a steady eye. Then can come a merry game of "hide and seek," the light dresses of the lassies and the picturesque costumes of the laddies forming a pleasing contrast to the soft green of the foliage.

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